

Littering Gremlin

A Screenplay by bunch of idiots

INT. EIFFEL TOWER - AFTERNOON

Ugly florist MISS BETTY THOMPSON is arguing with amazing master MASTER ELI H. BETTY tries to hug ELI but she shakes her off.

BETTY

Please eli, don't leave me.

ELI

I'm sorry betty, but I'm looking for somebody a bit more brave. Somebody who faces her fears head on, instead of running away.

BETTY

I am such a person!

ELI frowns.

ELI

I'm sorry, betty. I just don't feel excited by this relationship anymore.

ELI leaves.

BETTY sits down, looking defeated.

Moments later, poggers king of all universes KING OLIVER BOARDMAN barges in looking flustered.

BETTY

Goodness, oliver! Is everything okay?

OLIVER

I'm afraid not.

BETTY

What is it? Don't keep me in suspense...

OLIVER

It's ... a gremlin ... I saw an evil gremlin eat a bunch of orphans!

BETTY

Defenseless orphans?

OLIVER

Yes, defenseless orphans!

BETTY

Bloomin' heck, oliver! We've got to do something.

OLIVER

I agree, but I wouldn't know where to start.

BETTY

You can start by telling me where this happened.

OLIVER

I was...

OLIVER fans himself and begins to wheeze.

BETTY

Focus oliver, focus! Where did it happen?

OLIVER

Sydney opera house! That's right - Sydney opera house!

BETTY springs up and begins to run.

EXT. A ROAD - CONTINUOUS

BETTY rushes along the street, followed by OLIVER. They take a short cut through some back gardens, jumping fences along the way.

INT. SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE - SHORTLY AFTER

ETHAN JAMES a littering gremlin terrorises two orphans.

BETTY, closely followed by OLIVER, rushes towards ETHAN, but suddenly stops in her tracks.

OLIVER

What is is? What's the matter?

BETTY

That's not just any old gremlin, that's ethan james!

OLIVER

Who's ethan james?

BETTY

Who's ethan james? Who's ethan james? Only the most littering gremlin in the universe!

OLIVER

Blinkin' knickers, betty! We're going to need some help if we're going to stop the most littering gremlin in the universe!

BETTY

You can say that again.

OLIVER

Blinkin' knickers, betty! We're going to need some help if we're going to stop the most littering gremlin in the universe!

BETTY

I'm going to need piñatas, lots of piñatas.

ethan turns and sees betty and oliver. He grins an evil grin.

ETHAN

betty thompson, we meet again.

OLIVER

You've met?

BETTY

Yes. It was a long, long time ago...

EXT. A PARK - BACK IN TIME

A young BETTY is sitting in a park listening to some pop music, when suddenly a dark shadow casts over her.

She looks up and sees ETHAN. She takes off her headphones.

ETHAN

Would you like some sour patch kids?

BETTY's eyes light up, but then he studies ETHAN more closely, and looks uneasy.

BETTY

I don't know, you look kind of littering.

ETHAN

Me? No. I'm not littering. I'm the least littering gremlin in the world.

BETTY

Wait, you're a gremlin?

BETTY runs away, screaming.

INT. SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE - PRESENT DAY

ETHAN

You were a coward then, and you are a coward now.

OLIVER

(To BETTY) You ran away?

BETTY

(To OLIVER) I was a young child. What was I supposed to do?

BETTY turns to ETHAN.

BETTY

I may have run away from you then, but I won't run away this time!

BETTY runs away.

She turns back and shouts.

BETTY

I mean, I am running away, but I'll be back - with piñatas.

ETHAN

I'm not scared of you.

BETTY

You should be.

INT. ROMAN COLISEUM - LATER THAT DAY

BETTY and OLIVER walk around searching for something.

BETTY

I feel sure I left my piñatas somewhere around here.

OLIVER

Are you sure? It does seem like an odd place to keep deadly piñatas.

BETTY

You know nothing oliver boardman.

OLIVER

We've been searching for ages. I really don't think they're here.

Suddenly, ETHAN appears, holding a pair of piñatas.

ETHAN

Looking for something?

OLIVER

Crikey, betty, he's got your piñatas.

BETTY

Tell me something I don't already know!

OLIVER

The earth's circumference at the equator is about 40,075 km.

BETTY

I know that already!

OLIVER

i am afraid of forks.

ETHAN

(appalled) Dude!

While ETHAN is looking at OLIVER with disgust, BETTY lunges forward and grabs her deadly piñatas. He wields them, triumphantly.

BETTY

Prepare to die, you littering eggplant!

ETHAN

No please! All I did was eat a bunch of orphans!

ELI enters, unseen by any of the others.

BETTY

I cannot tolerate that kind of behaviour! Those orphans were defenceless! Well now they have a defender - and that's me! betty thompson defender of innocent orphans.

ETHAN

Don't hurt me! Please!

BETTY

Give me one good reason why I shouldn't use these piñatas on you right away!

ETHAN

Because betty, I am your father.

BETTY looks stunned for a few moments, but then collects herself.

BETTY

No you're not!

ETHAN

Ah well, it had to be worth a try.

ETHAN tries to grab the piñatas but BETTY dodges out of the way.

BETTY

Who's the daddy now? Huh? Huh?

Unexpectedly, ETHAN slumps to the ground.

OLIVER

Did he just faint?

BETTY

I think so. Well that's disappointing. I was rather hoping for a more dramatic conclusion, involving my deadly piñatas.

BETTY crouches over ETHAN's body.

OLIVER

Be careful, betty. It could be a trick.

BETTY

No, it's not a trick. It appears that... It would seem... ethan james is dead!

BETTY

What?

BETTY

Yes, it appears that I scared him to death.

OLIVER claps his hands.

OLIVER

So your piñatas did save the day, after all.

ELI steps forward.

ELI

Is it true? Did you kill the littering gremlin?

BETTY

eli how long have you been...?

ELI puts her arm around BETTY.

ELI

Long enough.

BETTY

Then you saw it for yourself. I killed ethan james.

ELI

Then the orphans are safe?

BETTY

It does seem that way!

A crowd of vulnerable orphans enter, looking relived.

ELI

You are their hero.

The orphans bow to BETTY.

BETTY

There is no need to bow to me. I seek no worship. The knowledge that ethan james will never eat orphans ever again, is enough for me.

ELI

You are humble as well as brave!

One of the orphans passes BETTY a yummy cake

ELI

I think they want you to have it, as a symbol of their gratitude.

BETTY

I couldn't possibly.

Pause.

BETTY

Well, if you insist.

BETTY takes the cake.

BETTY

Thank you.

The orphans bow their heads once more, and leave.

BETTY turns to ELI.

BETTY

Does this mean you want me back?

ELI

Oh, betty, of course I want you back!

BETTY smiles for a few seconds, but then looks defiant.

BETTY

Well you can't have me.

ELI

WHAT?

BETTY

You had no faith in me. You had to see my scare a gremlin to death before you would believe in me. I don't want a lover like that.

ELI

But...

BETTY

Please leave. I want to spend time with the one person who stayed with me through thick and thin - my best friend, oliver.

OLIVER grins.

ELI

But...

OLIVER

You heard the lady. Now be off with you. Skidaddle! Shoo!

ELI

betty?

BETTY

I'm sorry eli, but I think you should skidaddle.

ELI leaves.

OLIVER turns to BETTY.

OLIVER

Did you mean that? You know ... that I'm your best friend?

BETTY

Of course you are!

The two walk off arm in arm.

Suddenly OLIVER stops.

OLIVER

When I said i am afraid of forks, you know I was just trying to distract the gremlin don't you?

THE END